AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Page 6, line 3, immediately preceding the paragraph beginning with "Figure 2 . . . ", please insert the following new paragraph:

Figure 1a is a front view of one embodiment of a portable medical system according to the present invention;

Page 6, line 12, immediately preceding the paragraph beginning with "Figure 5 . . .", please insert the following new paragraphs:

Figure 4c is a rear view of the pole attachment mechanism of Figure 4a when not secured to a pole;

Figure 4d is a rear view of the pole attachment mechanism of Figure 4a when secured to a pole;

Page 5, line 31, immediately preceding the paragraph beginning with "Figure 11a ", please insert the following new paragraph:

Figure 10b is an enlarged view illustrating a pressure transducer and filter according to one embodiment of the present invention;